

**U.S. District Court  
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:18-cv-02373-ABJ**

CAUSE OF ACTION INSTITUTE v. UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
Assigned to: Judge Amy Berman Jackson  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 10/15/2018  
Jury Demand: None  
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of  
Information Act  
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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10/15/2018	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ( Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-5738133) filed by CAUSE OF ACTION INSTITUTE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit, # <u>2</u> Exhibit, # <u>3</u> Exhibit, # <u>4</u> Exhibit, # <u>5</u> Exhibit, # <u>6</u> Exhibit, # <u>7</u> Exhibit, # <u>8</u> Exhibit, # <u>9</u> Exhibit, # <u>10</u> Exhibit, # <u>11</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>12</u> Summons AG, # <u>13</u> Summons DOJ, # <u>14</u> Summons US Atty)(Valvo, Russel) (Entered: 10/15/2018)
10/15/2018	<u>2</u>	LCvR 26.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by CAUSE OF ACTION INSTITUTE (Valvo, Russel)Modified on 10/17/2018 (zrdj). (Entered: 10/15/2018)
10/15/2018	<u>3</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Ryan Patrick Mulvey on behalf of CAUSE OF ACTION INSTITUTE (Mulvey, Ryan) (Entered: 10/15/2018)
10/17/2018		Case Assigned to Judge Amy Berman Jackson. (zrdj) (Entered: 10/17/2018)
10/17/2018	<u>4</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zrdj) (Entered: 10/17/2018)
10/18/2018	<u>5</u>	ENTERED IN ERROR.....NOTICE of Appearance by Lee A. Steven on behalf of CAUSE OF ACTION INSTITUTE (Steven, Lee) (Main Document 5 replaced on 10/23/2018) (znmw). Modified on 10/23/2018 (znmw). (Entered: 10/18/2018)
10/18/2018	<u>6</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Lee A. Steven on behalf of CAUSE OF ACTION INSTITUTE (Steven, Lee) (Main Document 6 replaced on 10/23/2018) (znmw). (Entered: 10/18/2018)
10/23/2018		NOTICE OF CORRECTED DOCKET ENTRY: Docket Entry <u>5</u> Notice of Appearance was entered in error and refiled by counsel as Docket Entry <u>6</u> Notice of Appearance. (znmw) (Entered: 10/23/2018)
10/25/2018	<u>7</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Damon William Taaffe on behalf of UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Taaffe, Damon) (Entered: 10/25/2018)
10/25/2018	<u>8</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 10/17/2018. (Steven, Lee) Modified on 10/26/2018 to correct served date (jf). (Entered: 10/25/2018)
10/25/2018	<u>9</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 10/22/2018. Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 11/21/2018. (Steven, Lee) (Entered: 10/25/2018)
10/25/2018	<u>10</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE served on 10/22/2018 (Steven, Lee) (Entered: 10/25/2018)
11/21/2018	<u>11</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to File Answer re <u>1</u> Complaint, by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Taaffe, Damon) (Entered: 11/21/2018)
11/21/2018		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>11</u> Motion for Extension of Time to Answer. Defendant must file a responsive pleading by November 28, 2018. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 11/21/2018. (lcabj2) (Entered: 11/21/2018)
11/28/2018	<u>12</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.(Taaffe, Damon) (Entered: 11/28/2018)
11/29/2018	<u>13</u>	ORDER. Before the Court in this FOIA case are a complaint and an answer. The requirements of Local Civil Rule 16.3 and Rule 26(f) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure appear to be inapplicable. Defendant shall file a dispositive motion or, in the alternative, a report setting forth the schedule for the completion of its production of documents to plaintiff, on or before January 3, 2019. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 11/29/2018. (lcabj2) (Entered: 11/29/2018)